

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to remove reference numbers and to remove multiple dependency. Claims 1-33 and 35 are pending in this application. Claim 34 has been canceled. Claim 35 has been added.

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure at page 46 of the present specification with the attached Abstract of the Disclosure.

Conclusion

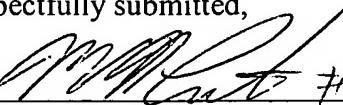
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Charles Gorenstein (Reg. No. 29,271) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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